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**Worksheet 9.5—Lagrange Error Bound**

Show all work. Calculator permitted except unless specifically stated.

**Free Response & Short Answer**

1. (a) Find the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for  $\cos x$  about  $x = 0$ . Then use your polynomial to approximate the value of  $\cos 0.8$ , and use Taylor's Theorem to determine the accuracy of the approximation. Give three decimal places.

(b) Find the interval  $[a, b]$  such that  $a \leq \cos 0.8 \leq b$ .

(c) Could  $\cos 0.8$  equal 0.695? Show why or why not.

2. (a) Write a fourth-degree Maclaurin polynomial for  $f(x) = e^x$ . Then use your polynomial to approximate  $e^{-1}$ , and find a Lagrange error bound for the maximum error when  $|x| \leq 1$ . Give three decimal places.

(b) Find an interval  $[a, b]$  such that  $a \leq e^{-1} \leq b$ .

3. Let  $f$  be a function that has derivatives of all orders for all real numbers  $x$ . Assume that  $f(5) = 6$ ,  $f'(5) = 8$ ,  $f''(5) = 30$ ,  $f'''(5) = 48$ , and  $|f^{(4)}(x)| \leq 75$  for all  $x$  in the interval  $[5, 5.2]$ .
- (a) Find the third-degree Taylor polynomial about  $x = 5$  for  $f(x)$ .
- (b) Use your answer to part (a) to estimate the value of  $f(5.2)$ . What is the maximum possible error in making this estimate? Give three decimal places.
- (c) Find an interval  $[a, b]$  such that  $a \leq f(5.2) \leq b$ . Give three decimal places.
- (d) Could  $f(5.2)$  equal 8.254? Show why or why not.

Review (Problems 4 - 7):

4. Find the first four nonzero terms of the power series for  $f(x) = \sin x$  centered at  $x = \frac{3\pi}{4}$ .

5. Find the first four nonzero terms and the general term for the Maclaurin series for

(a)  $f(x) = x \cos(x^3)$

(b)  $g(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$

6. Find the radius and interval of convergence for

(a)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (x-2)^n}{3^n n^2}$

(b)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2n)!(x-5)^n$

7. Use the Maclaurin series for  $\cos x$  to find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x}$ .

8. The Taylor series about  $x = 3$  for a certain function  $f$  converges to  $f(x)$  for all  $x$  in the interval of convergence. The  $n$ th derivative of  $f$  at  $x = 3$  is given by

$$f^{(n)}(3) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{5^n (n+3)} \text{ and } f(3) = \frac{1}{3}$$

(a) Write the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for  $f$  about  $x = 3$ .

(b) Find the radius of convergence of the Taylor series for  $f$  about  $x = 3$ .

(c) Show that the third-degree Taylor polynomial approximates  $f(4)$  with an error less than  $\frac{1}{4000}$ .

9. Let  $f$  be a function that has derivatives of all orders on the interval  $(-1,1)$ . Assume  $f(0) = 1$ ,

$$f'(0) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad f''(0) = -\frac{1}{4}, \quad f'''(0) = \frac{3}{8}, \quad \text{and} \quad |f^{(4)}(x)| \leq 6 \quad \text{for all } x \text{ in the interval } (-1,1).$$

(a) Find the third-degree Taylor polynomial about  $x = 0$  for the function  $f$ .

(b) Use your answer to part (a) to estimate the value of  $f(0.5)$ .

(d) What is the maximum possible error for the approximation made in part (b)?

10. Let  $f$  be the function defined by  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ .

(a) Find the second-degree Taylor polynomial about  $x = 4$  for the function  $f$ .

(b) Use your answer to part (a) to estimate the value of  $f(4.2)$ .

(c) Find a bound on the error for the approximation in part (b).

11. Let  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{2^n}$  for all  $x$  for which the series converges.

(a) Find the interval of convergence of this series.

(b) Use the first three terms of this series to approximate  $f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$ .

(c) Estimate the error involved in the approximation in part (b). Show your reasoning.



12. Let  $f$  be the function given by  $f(x) = \cos\left(3x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$  and let  $P(x)$  be the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for  $f$  about  $x = 0$ .
- (a) Find  $P(x)$ .

- (b) Use the Lagrange error bound to show that  $\left|f\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) - P\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)\right| < \frac{1}{3000}$ .

13. (Review) Use series to find an estimate for  $I = \int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx$  that is within 0.001 of the actual value.

Justify.

14. The Taylor series about  $x = 5$  for a certain function  $f$  converges to  $f(x)$  for all  $x$  in the interval of convergence. The  $n$ th derivative of  $f$  at  $x = 5$  is given by

$$f^{(n)}(5) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{2^n (n+2)} \text{ and } f(5) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Show that the sixth-degree Taylor polynomial for  $f$  about  $x = 5$  approximates  $f(6)$  with an error less than  $\frac{1}{1000}$ .

**Multiple Choice**

15. Suppose a function  $f$  is approximated with a fourth-degree Taylor polynomial about  $x = 1$ . If the maximum value of the fifth derivative between  $x = 1$  and  $x = 3$  is 0.01, that is,  $|f^{(5)}(x)| < 0.01$ , then the maximum error incurred using this approximation to compute  $f(3)$  is
- (A) 0.054      (B) 0.0054      (C) 0.26667      (D) 0.02667      (E) 0.00267

16. What are all the values of  $x$  for which the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$  converges?
- (A)  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$       (B)  $-1 < x < 1$       (C)  $-1 < x \leq 1$       (D)  $-1 \leq x < 1$       (E) All real  $x$

17. The coefficient of  $x^6$  in the Taylor series expansion about  $x = 0$  for  $f(x) = \sin(x^2)$  is

- (A)  $-\frac{1}{6}$     (B) 0    (C)  $\frac{1}{120}$     (D)  $\frac{1}{6}$     (E) 1

18. The maximum error incurred by approximating the sum of the series  $1 - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{2}{3!} - \frac{3}{4!} + \frac{4}{5!} - \dots$  by the sum of the first six terms is

- (A) 0.001190    (B) 0.006944    (C) 0.33333    (D) 0.125000    (E) None of these

19. If  $f$  is a function such that  $f'(x) = \sin(x^2)$ , then the coefficient of  $x^7$  in the Taylor series for  $f(x)$  about  $x = 0$  is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{7!}$     (B)  $\frac{1}{7}$     (C) 0    (D)  $-\frac{1}{42}$     (E)  $-\frac{1}{7!}$

20. Now that you have finished the last question of the last “new concept” worksheet of your high school career, how do you feel? (Show your work)

- (A) Relieved    (B) Very Sad    (C) Euphoric    (D) Tired    (E) All of these